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## SENIORS TAKE OFF FOR COLLEGE



Last summer Bill Hickerson was named Chairman of the Youth Department of the March of Dimes for Tennessee and Davidson County. In August Bill went to Massachusetts for a week of orientation. There he saw first hand that people afflicted with birth defects could and should become useful citizens.

As Chairman of the Youth Department in Tennessee Bill is trying first of all to make the problem of birth defects known to the community, and then to recruit the youth to help in the March of Dimes Program. The recent Marchathon, in which approximately 1,500 people marched, is proof of Bill's success.

## SPORTS SPECIAL ON PAGE SEVEN

## DEBATE TRIUMPHS

This year the MBA forensics team will be sending a debate team to the national tournament, to be held at Stanford, California. Charlie Bond and Dick Collins will represent MBA and all schools from Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi.

They qualified by taking first place at the National Forensic League District Tournament at Overton. In dominating the debate, MBA also won second place with the team of Chris Berry and Marc McNamee.

At the conclusion of her best forensic year ever, Mrs. Ridgway, the debate coach, is pleased with

next year's prospects: Marc McNamee and Bert Mathews will provide the necessary debate experience; Carter Andrews should excel in original oratory and extemporaneous speaking.

Webb Earthman, John Brooks, Gary Barkley, and John Bow, all of whom won at least one tournament this year, will also be debating on next year's topic—court reform.

Much thanks must go to the MBA Ladies' auxiliary, whose sponsorship of the Forensics Club is, in large part, responsible for participation in a wide variety of tournaments.

### LIST OF SENIOR COLLEGE CHOICES

Vanderbilt—21	University of North Carolina—5
Bill Ambrose	Charlie Bond
Hunter Armistead	Mac Harrell
Steve Brown	Sam Rutherford
Alex Buchanan	Robert Thomson
Dan Butrey	<b>Brown—2</b>
Wes Craton	Chris Berry
Cayne Fuqua	Sonny Bodo
Bill Jewell	<b>Northwestern—2</b>
Phillip Jones	John Cheadle
Brant Lipscomb	Gep Nelson
Ben Mabry	<b>Southern Methodist University—3</b>
Walter Marianelli	Bill Bounds
Teddy McCarley	Harold Crump
Bob Murphy	Jim Friedman
Tommy Parrish	<b>Mercer—2</b>
Ed Pirtle	Jon Foley
John Sawyer	Bill Moore
Mark Shepard	<b>Georgia Tech—2</b>
Brock Stevenson	David Isenhour
Bill Summers	Larry Trabush
Jim Norton	<b>Others</b>
<b>University of Virginia—4</b>	Bill Anderson, Florida Southern
Jimbo McKee	Rick Bramham, Colorado State
Bill Peerman	Walter Campbell, Tulane
Larry Schull	Dick Collins, Princeton
Tee Zerfoss	Tom Harris, Centre
<b>University of Tennessee—2</b>	David Mack, Notre Dame
Bill Hickerson	Tom Neff, Lawrence University
David Page	Frank Purdy, Colorado College
<b>University of the South—5</b>	Dan Mann, University of Washington (Seattle)
John Haggard	Jamie Stiller, Washington University
Rodney Kochitzky	Paul Vix, Memphis State
Tad McWhirter	University
Craig Sargent	Alan Wright, University of Pennsylvania
Charlie Morrison	Kyle Young, Kenyon
<b>Auburn—3</b>	
Doug Anderson	
Jimmy Regan	
Mitch Garriott	

Selectivity  
(According to James Cass and Max Birnbaum, *Comparative Guide to American Colleges*)

Most Selective—3

Highly Selective—9

Very Selective—39

Selective—6

Unclassified—5

Regional Geographic Distribution  
Nashville (Vanderbilt)—21

Tennessee (excluding Nashville)—9

South (excluding Tennessee)—21

Northeast—4

Midwest—6

West—3

The sixty-four seniors have chosen 24 different schools for next year. As in the past several years, almost one-third of the class will attend Vanderbilt.

Nine seniors will attend either the University of North Carolina or the University of Virginia, the two most selective Southern state universities. Surprisingly, no seniors will attend Birmingham-Southern, which drew six students from the class of 1970. Like last year, only a few seniors will attend Tennessee after large groups, ten and eleven respectively, selected it in 1968 and 1969.

This year the trend seems to be to attend schools in groups of two or three rather than alone. This tendency may ease the loneliness of the freshman year for some boys next year.

## Stadium Dedicated to MBA Alumnus



This baseball stadium in Saigon was named in memory of David Jessup, by his fellow engineers. Mr. Jessup died Nov. 25 of infectious hepatitis.

erally "unjustified, because we don't know what's going on in Vietnam."

So Dave's reaction to the war overcame his doubts, finally emerging with a constructive attitude. He described his time in Vietnam as producing "24 months of friends" who dedicated a baseball stadium in his memory.

David Jessup once won a trophy for batting .782 in baseball, but he gave up his eligibility

to come to MBA. What he is remembered for is not talent; it is attitude. One very important lesson he learned from bad knees:

In the face of an unavoidable discomfort, one may often wait until the discomfort has passed and then laugh. Another lesson from the war: In the face of avoidable suffering, a man, especially if he is privileged, should seek to aid his fellow man.

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## THE BELL RINGER

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### APATHY ON THE HILL

The indifference of many students toward their studies and their schools is a major problem in the high schools of today. Formerly, students showed greater interest in these areas during their high school years. They seemed to have a keen pride in the school and its affairs. Has M.B.A. experienced this indifference; does apathy exist on The Hill?

High academic standards are developed because of a sense of achievement, an achievement gained in competition with others. In recent years, however, there are an increasing number of students who feel not an aspiration towards excellence and achievement, but a satisfaction in "getting by" with as little work as possible. Why? The seventh grade student enters M.B.A. with an interested, easily influenced spirit. Unfortunately, by the eighth grade, he begins to set and accept a basic amount of work for himself, relative to the work of his peers and his own concerns. The students present this amount of work as their best. They have no real desire to achieve because the school does not expand their interests. M.B.A. has become a set standard with the grade and ultimately college as the goal.

The student does want to get involved, and only a portion of the students are involved in the activities of the school and have developed a pride in their accomplishments. M.B.A. does not emphasize enough areas besides athletics for a student to expand himself. Every student should be in contact with the Student Council with which he presently has little relation. With better Student Council-student relations, the students would share in forming the policies and workings of the school and would develop a pride in the school. This interest with school would replace some of the apathy among a great many of the students. Also this involvement would give them a more complete education.

By Andy Byrd

<b>NEW</b>	
<b>OFFICERS</b>	
President	Buck Cole
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## HOLCOMB ENDS BRILLIANT CAREER

#### Our Town

By Carter Andrews

A week before spring vacation, MBA students' attention, momentarily turned away from Florida, focused on a production of *Our Town* at Harpeth Hall by the combined MBA and Harpeth Hall drama clubs.

The show, under the expert direction of Mrs. Williams and Mr. Holcomb, played to a full house on two consecutive nights. The countless hours of rehearsal for the play were evident, both of the performances being nearly flawless.

A missed cue on the second night caused great alarm to the cast and crew. Mr. Holcomb, playing the part of the stage manager, covered up the mistake perfectly by giving the audience details about Doc Gibbs' love life that Thornton Wilder, the playwright, did not intend to expose.

The cast was exceptionally large, with Mr. Holcomb, Tom Neff, Amy Swartzbaugh, Clive Sell, Mary Lee Gibson, Brock Stevenson, and Susan Shoulders playing the leading roles, and many other fine actors and actresses appearing on stage. John VanVolkenburgh and Mike Moynihan were the two technical directors, with John Haggard handling the sound and many other people helping with the technical work.

Drama productions at MBA are traditionally top-notch. *Our Town* certainly upheld this tradition.



Terry Holcomb takes last bow from MBA stage amidst genuine appreciation from students.

#### Devil and Daniel Webster

By Carter Andrews

The MBA-Harpeth Hall drama club opened The Devil and Daniel Webster in assembly Friday, May 7, and performed it again that evening. Mr. Holcomb, who will go to Memphis next year, ended his career at MBA, directing the third play this year.

The presentation of the coveted "Terry Awards" that night honored many talented actors and actresses, but the most deserved award went to Mr. Holcomb, whose kindness to everyone he worked with will always be remembered.

The technical aspect of the

production was very complicated, and John VanVolkenburgh and Mike Moynihan along with a few other workers spent many hours of work perfecting the elaborate set, the lighting, and many special effects, while John Haggard handled very complex sound system.

Hank Brooks made a very believable devil. Clive Sell, as Daniel Webster, and Christie McClure, as Mary Stone, crusaded to help Tom Neff, who played Jabez Stone, save his soul from the devil.

*The Devil and Daniel Webster* marked the end of a great era in MBA drama.

#### REPRESENTATION

##### To the Editor,

In the recent election of new class officers, I was totally enraged by the atmosphere and attitude of the students. The elections seemed like a big joke. Candidates that had already been officers (and who had done absolutely nothing in these offices) were nominated and voted for, without a general discussion of the person. These people were blindly nominated, without even scrutinizing their qualifications. Others were nominated and elected by their influence in a fraternity, Delta Sig as an example, or by pressure on independent students. No effort was made to discuss the candidates and to get an outlook of next candidates' ambitions and attitudes.

I strongly suggest that the Student Council amend its constitution to make the election fair and meaningful. I suggest they amend the charter by adding some kind of impeachment clause for those students who might grow weary of their offices. I also suggest some kind of amendment to protect the rights of the independent and minority groups, and to establish a quota for a quorum. I hope a change in the charter will help the outlook of next year's elections. We need a change, for the better.

Signed: Harry Steck



Stevenson gives Neff the facts of life (*Our Town*)

## ART: TALENT AND APPRECIATION

#### By Buck Cole

Next year drastic changes will occur in the art program. The school will offer an advanced placement course both in Art History and Art Lab.

Art History, open to all students in grades 10-12, will meet three times a week for two years. After two years the student will be eligible for the A.P. exam and receive 6/5 of a credit. Most colleges like Vanderbilt will consider the course as any other advanced placement course, and credit will be given according to their own standards.

The first year will study Ancient, Medieval, and Renaissance art. The second year will cover the 17th through 20th centuries, Oriental Art, and a great deal of aesthetics in preparation for the A.P. exam. Some students may be able to pass the exam after one year.

Art lab students will be eligible for A.P. credit by showing a portfolio of their work and by working specific problems prescribed by the advanced placement program. This will be offered to all 3rd and 4th year Art lab students.

Yet, next year there will be no Art lab unless lab space is found on campus. The Fire Department has decided that Art lab cannot continue in the attic of Vine Street Christian Church. Mrs. LeQuire, the one-time M.B.A. Art program, feels that the boys here need an avenue of expression for their creativity. She also hopes to obtain a lab which could handle experimentation into different media, especially those more appealing to boys. In addition to having more space for sculpture, she hopes to acquire facilities for print-making and ceramics.

These efforts would be rewarding, in her words, since "M.B.A. has the most creative boys I've encountered at any high school because, although, many people don't realize it, creativity and intelligence go together."

#### DAVE JESSUP

(from page one)

Most of us never met David Jessup, yet in the brief details of his story there is a spirit—MBA can be proud to claim him as a former student, if for only one year.

<b>Juniors</b>	<b>Sophomores</b>
Frank Garrison	Joe Collier
Tim Vaughn	Marc Stengel
Brock Baker	

# FACES CHANGE ON HILL



Three rough characters—Terry, Coach, and Baby Bertha.

## Mr. Holcomb

By Chase Cole and Ken Quillen  
"My years at MBA have been the most exciting years of my life." With these words Mr. Terry Holcomb departs from MBA. In his three years at MBA, Mr. Holcomb has taught freshman and sophomore English and drama and directed numerous plays.

Mr. Holcomb graduated from Overton High School and Vanderbilt University where he earned his B.A. in drama. He

plans to further his education at Memphis State University while teaching introduction to theater to under-graduate students.

Mr. Holcomb hopes that the drama program at MBA will continue to improve in his absence. Under his guidance, the Drama Club has made great progress in the last three years, as evidenced by the school's collection of lighting equipment and a \$250 bank balance.

Mr. Holcomb has no personal

## Mr. Riggins

By Chase Cole and Ken Quillen  
Mr. John Riggins is leaving MBA in the pursuit of his personal fortune after 5 years of service to the school and students.

He has developed the wrestling program at MBA to a substantial extent and has broadened student interest in the sport. In regard to the future of the wrestling program, Mr. Riggins feels that there is still a lot to be done. For instance, he hopes that a Junior Varsity wrestling program can be initiated at MBA.

Mr. Riggins received his B.A. from the University of the South and attained some credit towards his Master's degree at the University of North Carolina. Mr. Riggins is an active member of the Sierra Club and has strong convictions concerning the preservation of our environment.

Mr. Riggins' primary motive for leaving the teaching profession is a financial one. He has several financial opportunities, including one offer to be a stock broker. Also, Mr. Riggins feels that there is no chance for his advancement as a teacher as far as administrative responsibilities are concerned. When asked for comments on his stay at MBA, Mr. Riggins said, "MBA is very successful in placing boys in colleges, of their choice, and that is to be admired, but I do regret the way in which MBA seems to discourage creativity and originality among its students."

Mr. Riggins will be replaced by Mr. Ridgway and Mr. Drake, who will teach his history classes. Several applications have been submitted for his vacated position as wrestling coach.

interest in the professional theater, and he stresses that "education is my field, drama is my specialty." His feeling about MBA and its students are best expressed in his own words: "My ambition is to be able to say at the age of 70, that I am as enthusiastic and excited about my students as I am now."



Mr. Rules balances books before he goes.

## Rule Retirement

By Buck Cole  
This year after twenty-six and a half years of service to MBA, Mr. James C. Rule is retiring. During these years, he has had many responsibilities, serving as principal of the high school, head of the math department, coach of the tennis team, advisor for the newspaper, and director of the glee club.

He began teaching math here at the mid-term of the '43-44 school year under headmaster Howard Allen. Only Mrs. Lowry remains on the faculty from that year.

In his early years here Mr. Rule founded the first MBA newspaper and the first glee club. Besides originating the paper, he named it the Bell-Ringer. Among his first editors was the novelist Jesse Hill Ford, of *Liberation of Lord Byron Jones* fame.

At the request of the headmaster and the board of trustees, Mr. Rule researched and wrote the *History of Montgomery Bell Academy*.

He served as tennis coach from the '44-45 season until the '66-67 season. Under the tutelage of Mr. Rule, MBA was the mid-state

tennis power. His teams had a phenomenal record, winning 23 of 24 city championships and four state championships.

Outside of school, Mr. Rule established an outstanding reputation as an country-and-western songwriter, author of "Alleycat" and other hits.

He began writing soon after coming to Nashville. Since then he has written between 500 and 1000 songs, having between 100 and 200 of them recorded.

Several of his songs made the top ten in country hit list and have been recorded by performers such as Burl Ives, Eddy Arnold, Jimmy Dean and Jimmy Dickens.

The income from these songs, in his words, "enabled me to stay in school teaching which I loved." After retirement, Mr. Rule plans to continue writing, some children's albums particularly, and to enjoy "the good life."

For his many contributions to MBA, he was tapped for Totomoi. Mr. Rule has been an important leader on the Hill for over a quarter of a century—and his influence will no doubt be felt for many years after his departure.

## Matthews to Coach

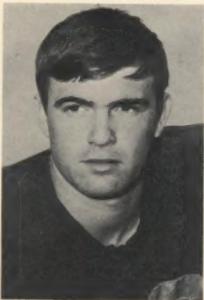
### Doug Matthews

New head football coach Ray Ridgway has announced the addition of former Vanderbilt standout Doug Matthews to the MBA coaching staff.

He will assume the coaching duties formerly handled by Head Coach Tommy Owen, who now serves as a Vanderbilt assistant; he will be in charge of the defensive secondary and will assist Coach Ridgway with the offensive backs and receivers.

Matthews' gridiron career with the Commodores included experience on both offense and defense. During his junior year he sparked at defensive safety. Moving to the offensive side as a senior, tailback Matthews was the 1969 Southeastern Conference rushing leader.

A native of Pitcher, Oklahoma, he played for Northeast Oklahoma Junior College before coming to Vanderbilt. As a Junior College All-American quarterback, he was the object of a vigorous recruiting war, eventually won by Vanderbilt's Coach Bill Pace, who also hails from Pitcher.



Doug Matthews, who will replace Coach Tommy Owen.

## New Editors Selected

In late April, newspaper sponsors Mr. Turner and Mr. Edson and annual sponsor Mrs. Carter selected the editors-in-chief of the *Bell Ringer* and *The Bell* for the school year 1971-72. Arthur Hiller will serve as editor-in-chief of *The Bell*, and Buck Cole as editor-in-chief for the *Bell Ringer*.

Carter Andrews will serve as the business manager for both publications. The staff editors for *The Bell* are the following:

Organizations editor: Bert Matthews  
Classes editor: Chase Cole  
Sports editor: Hal Justice  
Photography editor: David

Small  
According to Arthur Hiller, "the 1971-72 annual will be a completely new concept in MBA annals. The traditional, stereotyped layout will be changed to offer not only an annual with a different appearance but a more interesting one. There will be a considerable amount of color, special effects, and an emphasis on the spirit of MBA."

*The Bell Ringer* will have the following staff editors:

News editor: Rick Owen  
Webb Earthman  
Sports editor: Whit Holcomb  
Features editor: Tom Gilde  
meister

The paper next year, Cole says, will have a greater emphasis on factual features and news articles rather than on "humor and fantasy." Other new developments should be features on alumni, interest in off-campus events and personalities, more pictures, and a special feature page in each paper.

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# Senior tea sippers to take leave!

Name	Nick Name	Where Found	Ambition	Latent Fear	Heard Saying
Bill Ambrose	Willy	the loft	to be chief of police	mace in the face	i swear, i go to school here.
Bill Anderson	Ratsy Molinsky	at the farmhouse	to get something published	being on chris' uncle's list	aw dad, be realistic.
Doug Anderson	Dirty Doug	at ed's apartment	to be a jet pilot	blown engine	say, margie, when do you get off work?
Hunter Armistead	Curley	in mrs. l's good graces	to be a cabbie	forgetting to start his meter	mrs. lowry, what's the imagery in mary had a little lamb?
Chris Berry	Twit	asleep in class	exemption in french	debating debbie jensen	oh, leslie, leslie, leslie. . .
Sonny Bodo	Sandor	on his motor, hair wind- blown	not cutting his moustache	flies in his teeth	is your mind cold to the touch?
Charlie Bond	Cheese, Killer Molinsky	locker room	to destroy his pink card	girl smarter than he	I was in the theatre, when all the sudden. . .
Bill Bounds	Outta	with dave, rt, and the gang	to go to college with anderson	dianne peterson	hey quillen, can i borrow what's-her-name this week end?
Rick Bramham	Calvin	under the stars with an ephemeris	for mrs. l not to call him his brother	warped records	my head, it's burning!
Steve Brown	Beau Frab	at home, during school	to graduate in absentia	a five day week	those east girls are sure fine
Alex Buchanan	Salex	wrestling at clive's	find way out of cave	being caught by bear	me and tubby. . .
Dan Buttrey	Butch	in carol's dad's shirt	an unchaperoned tennis trip	a warped racket	i don't want to give any hints, but study. . .
Walter Campbell	Gautier Steed	flanagan's or coke and council	more from atlanta, ga.	rednecks	hey, luke, fixing to hose down your truck?
John Cheadle	Rosates, the Muggle man	on his water bed	to be a construction foreman	hollins, work, and a leak	you wouldn't know her anyway.
Dick Collins	Dickard Tricky Dick	conference room b	to be a free man, proud swimmer	going wild at princeton	well paradoxically, ironically, i conversely contend. . .
West Crafton	Western Draino	wouldn't you like to know?	to be king of the kegs	the boys in williamson co.	i was with the madonna.
Harold Crump	Ummagumma Mr. RD	at concerts with his pants around his head	to spread the seeds of anarchy	miss fat honey	fur out, man
Jon Foley	Honest Jon John J	eighth period study hall	the presidency (of the world)	parents who check trashcans	careful, that thing has a hair trigger!
Jim Friedman	Crash	soccer field	to walk down a country road	prunes (4 'nuff? 6 too many?)	feets, don't fail me now!
Cayce Fugus	Monsieur Few-Quay	chevyland	to do what he claims to have	a car faster than his	i'm making a suppository, analytical theme.
Mitch Garriott	Bean Mitchy- witchy	working with felix on the plant	pga	a bad slice	gaaaa, that was a hairy one!
John Haggard	DJ John	'kda-fm 11 'till 3	to be on the air from 6 'till 12	being like super shan	here's a righteous, heavy group!
Mack Harrel	Frak Iceman	locked in the closet	to be a good-looking savage	frhs cheer-leaders in cars	the sun did it, honest.
Tommy Harris	Big tom	at the training table	a 9.1 hundred	army physicals	need your leg sonicated, bill?
Bill Hickerson	Hick Hack	buttering up teachers	lead the naacp	scuffs on his white shoes	walk a mile for the life of a child.
David Isenhour	Dave the rave Ike	with the bounds gang	47% fewer cavities	being snaked by tim	bea's all in the family.
Bill Jewell	Wild Bill	backstage working the lights	to find out where the jam is	mba cast parties	hey, yall jamming at mac's today?
Philip Jones	PJ, CB War Chief	buying tux club pomade	be like captain queeg	coach bennet's wrath	collins, your puns are an integral part of this calculus course.
Rodney Kochtitzky	Hot Rod Kaplotzki	at jul, checking out all the critiques	to dunk fec at eyc carnival	blowing his cover	you have the right to make one phone call. . .
Brant Lipscomb	Pinky, Lippy Doughnut Neck	on frank andrews field	to drive a black oids 88, and follow in his father's tradition	being called on by mrs. l	kill a commi for the fca!
Ben Mabry	Bennie the Bullet	hiding from fat honey	to come to class on time	no excuse to turn her down	oh no harold, not another r.d.
Dave Mack	Truck, Slip	raising Cain with mark and walter	to revive the bowery boys	ronald mcdonald	keep on truckin'
Dan Mann	Honkey Bear	away from home	to write a 400 page theme	"gimme 12 reasons . . ."	she told me not to be creative, ★!—!

# What they never told their moms!

Name	Nick Name	Where Found	Ambition	Latent Fear	Heard Saying
Walter Marianelli	Malarianelli Wop	jim dandy #7	to be chief of the pony patrol	jerry catching him in the back room	don't read it if you're not gonna buy it.
Teddy McCarley	T.T., Trimmier	in private	to grow decent sideburns	to make someone feel good	well, anyway, her legs were too skinny.
Jimbo McKee	Smackie	at the stable	to beat grover in cards	pollsters at u. va.	no, orand. don't shoot.
Tad McWhirter	Squirt	tutoring gracey for her college boards	to get a license for his deadly weapon	being serious at a student council meeting	hey! that room is reserved.
Bill Moore	Obie, Harold	with wag and wells	to have straight hair	being picked on by donna	mrs. l. says I'm in critical condition.
Charlie Morrison	Mirrie, Chas. Mario	cruising around with the top down	to be a real man like rogers	the big one	i just spit on it.
Bob Murphy	Bobbo, Bobaloo	in the suburban news	to be a comfortable cowboy	a full moon	bout a quart low, cowboy.
Tom Neff	Little Stevie	driving around with chrisalle	to win the tony award	mister scratch	hey, you'se guys . . .
Gep Nelson	Gillespie, the hangin' judge	running naked	to shout down larry schull	bajo's revenge	well, uh . . .
Jim Norton	Diamond Jim Gentleman Jim	over towards the 'cliff	to get it on at beersheba	broken glasses	zelle, you wait here whil'st i call the po-leece.
David Page	Mister Page	everywhere	to be a mean joe green	chris mclure	i ate 4 pounds of barbecue, 3 quarts of ice cream, 2 cakes, 4 dogs and a cat.
Tom Parrish	Luke McCain	home on the range	to raise a herd of herefords—arcoil in the nose breed for ever' need		the west wasn't won with a registered gun.
Bill Peerman	B.P. Beerman	over at longman's	to own every pair of pants in nashville	barker	who was that masked man? I wanted to thank him.
Ed Pirtle	Fast Eddy	belle meade police station	to graduate before 25	realizing that he's not good looking	bring me a case and we can both sit outside her keyhole.
Frank Purdy	Rob Roy	picketing at pancake pantry	to be a hippie	having to go to vandy	meet me at the parthenon, gaucho.
Jim Regan	Grover	at the blackjack table	to be a riverboat gambler	5 yards in one day	hey mom. hey dad. meet my date celeste. goodbye.
Sam Rutherford	Rug Rutherford	in the model a	getting out of the draft because of his knee	the annual	that's my daughter
Craig Sargent	Sarge	in front of the mirror	really long hair	teeny boppers	oh wow. what a rush.
John Sawyer	Little Johnny	in the vine street parking lot waiting for cheryl	to kiss	defenestration	did you hear the one about the traveling salesman? mr. riggins?
Larry Schull	Skull, IBM 1168	playing chess with jamie	none	the valedictory	you know, i'm really a ruddy fire-eater.
Mark Shepard	Nikita, Leopard	in the a.v. room	to dance under the strobe	a short in his minizapper	hey cowboy, do you wanna buy a strobe light, cheap?
Brock Stevenson	Brockelye Mode mouth	with mrs. webb at grover's corners	to beat stiffer in a cross country meet	mrs. ridgeway seeing his impersonation	the wall is roland.
Jamie Stifter	Shylock Skull-Splitter	running through the storm-sewers	to master fate with astrology	cancer in his 5th house	mr. fairbairn, that couldn't be right.
Bill Summers	Buffalo Chip Buff	wandering around the football field	to buy f.c.a.	leaving dianne (we think)	if you do that, lightning will strike you.
Wade Sutton	Mutton	struttin'	nothin'	coming unbutton(ed)	what'in . . .?
Robert Thomson	Bobby, R.T.	in a fight at h.h.s.	to room with wade at u.n.c.	two blackeyes (again)	sure does (pummell; buffet)
Larry Trabue	Leroy Travis	shotgun in the cab	a changed voice	a busted transmission	hunter, i wonder who reserved the bathroom for us?
Paul Vix	Mr. Grand Prix	holiday inn 405	to make a killing off the senior class	a torpedo from chicago	it'll cost you.
Allan Wright	Right!	in the basement	to be like frist in english and french	the greaseball method being found out	when she's on your back, you don't have a prayer.
Kyle Young	Mr. B. Ball	at the hairdresser	to revive the kenyon review	bouncing johnny b.	if you were one of the beautiful people, i'd tell you.
Tee Zerfoss	Zerf, Zee	a foot above the ground in a green gaseous cloud	to bake jelly rolls	policewoman	sho' good eatin'

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# FOCUS ON SPORTS

The 1970-71 sports season at Montgomery Bell Academy may be remembered as the year when Coach Tommy Owen left the Hill—and Armistead, Fisher, Latimer, Leonard and Rich remained. It seemed the end of an era when Coach Owen completed 18 years of service to MBA athletics, and perhaps the beginning of another one as new athletic director John Bennett looked optimistically toward the future with a fine array of underclass talent.

Coach Owen left MBA in January to become an assistant with the Vanderbilt Commodores; Coach John Bennett, already head basketball coach, assumed duties as athletic director, and Ray

Ridgway stepped up from assistant to head football coach. But before their old coach departed, his charges gave him an unexpected going-away present.

Rebounding from a disastrous 2-8 season, the 1970 Big Red football team posted a record of 10-0 to finish second in the post-season state polls. Senior leadership combined with junior firepower to propel MBA to ten straight victories after a first-game tie with Hillwood. The wins included a 10-0 drubbing of Brownsboro (at that time number one in Tennessee) and a 26-3 Clinic Bowl triumph over Two Rivers.

Senior standouts included wing-

back Tad McWhirter, split end Bill Peerman, linebacker-fullback Bill Summers, defensive end Jim Regan, and guard Brant Lipscomb. Lipscomb was named All-Metro, as were tackle Frank Floyd and quarterback Fred Fisher.

Fisher spearheaded an offense which scored 303 points in eleven games. The junior quarterbacking whiz rushed 108 times for 612 yards and nine touchdowns and completed 69 of 144 passes for 1322 yards and 15 touchdowns. His total offense of 1934 yards and 24 touchdowns ranked among the best in the state. Junior Bob Latimer, whose total offense was 1086 yards and seven

touchdowns (511 rushing), was also impressive.

The Big Red defense, led by Summers, Regan, Floyd and junior linebacker Damon Regen, complemented the offense by limiting opponents to only 37 points.

The winter season was highlighted by the success of the MBA basketball team, and again juniors were instrumental in the team's progress. The charges of Coach John Bennett finished with an overall record of 17-10. In the regular season, they were 10-4, good enough for third place in their district. In tournament play, they were second in the district; and they advanced to the semifinals of the regional tournament

—the farthest an MBA team has

gone since 1951—before losing to

eventual state champion Cameron.

Important victories for the Big Red included those over arch-rivals Hillsboro (only their second defeat of the season) and Pearl (the first over the Tigers in MBA's history).

Big gun for the Red hoopsters was Fred Fisher, with an average of 14.4 points per game. Senior captain Kyle Young (11.8) provided steady floor leadership throughout the season, and Mike Regan (11.3) and Steve Armistead (11.5) chipped in on the offense. Regan gathered in an impressive 9.3 rebounds per

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## Brant Honored

During half-time of the annual Black-and-Gold game played last month at Dudley Stadium, Brant Lipscomb received the 1971 football Scholar-Athlete award. Each year the National Football Hall of Fame Foundation presents the award to the most outstanding candidate from each division of the NIL.

Lipscomb played varsity football for two years. At guard and middle guard he was a mainstay in the Big Red's line this season. Weighing only 158 lbs., "Lippy" consistently outplayed his larger opponents. The Nashville Banner recognized Brant for his efforts by naming him to their All-NIL team.

In the classroom, Brant has also distinguished himself. Throughout his senior year he has remained on the privilege list while taking Advanced Placement courses in English and American History. He will continue his education next year at Vanderbilt.

Brant feels that the addition of Bobby Morel to the coaching staff made a big difference in the season's outcome: "Coach Morel showed the line that we could be a winner." Brant felt that "beating Brownsville" was his biggest thrill and that Springfield was his toughest game. "The unbeaten season," said Lipscomb, "made all the practices worth while, and I will always be able to look back on the year with pride."

By Bill Freeman

## MBA Tennis

The Big Red Tennis Team got off to a flying start this year with a 5-0 victory over Peabody. They continued their sweep through the NIL by swamping Overton (5-0), Hillsboro (4-0), Hillwood (5-0), and Two Rivers (5-0). These victories gave MBA an undisputed first place in the Third District of NIL Tennis.

Although the Tennis Team suffered setbacks at the hands of Memphis University School and the Baylor School of Chattanooga, they came back to defeat BGA twice (6-2; 5-4) and David Lipscomb twice (6-3; 5-1) in what were some of the most exciting matches of the season.

At the top of the ladder for the Big Red are Dan Buttrey, a senior who made a great comeback after a late start, Rip Trammell, an outstanding junior, and Flag Flanagan, a strong sophomore. Playing number four position is Gep Nelson, followed by Palmer Jones and Alex Buchanan.

There are also several other players who contributed much to the team. Among these are Andy Byrd and Charlie Morrison, who comprise one of the doubles teams.

MBA is very fortunate to have several promising young players. In the eighth grade are Gil Templeton, Joe Davis, and Johnny Howell. In the seventh grade Johnny Daniel holds the edge. With such an outstanding crop of younger players, MBA has a fine outlook for the future in Tennis.

## Jumpin Jimbo

This spring senior Jimbo Mc-Keke has developed into one of Nashville's top amateur jockeys.

On April 18, he placed fourth at the Oxmore Races in Louisville, Kentucky. The next week Jimbo placed third at the Brentwood Derby on three-year-old Ed Fitts. The winner of that race was George Sloan, last year ranked the best American jockey.

Again on Ed Fitts, Jimbo came in fifth in the Truxton Purse, run in conjunction with the Iroquois May 7.

## Baseball

### NIL Champs

This year's baseball team was blessed with some of the school's finest athletes. Under the direction of Coach Jamie Tillman, the team compiled a very impressive record of 14-5.

Going into the NIL play-offs, only two seniors, Brant Lipscomb and Bill Peerman, aided Coach Tillman in leading the club on the field. Certainly a host of superb junior baseballers made this job an easy one.

The team had only five hitters. Ernie Leonard (441), Bob Latimer (394), and Bill Peerman (384) led the slugging statistics. Other top hitters were Fred Fisher (349) and Tate Rich (339) and Brant Lipscomb (309).

Brant Lipscomb and Fred Fisher provided the heart of one of the league's finest defensive teams. Many times Fred and Brant "turned the crowd on" with their amazing glove feats.

The most important aspect of high school baseball is pitching, and MBA had a great pitcher in Bob Latimer. Bob's record, 7-1, with an ERA of 1.30 was one of the best in Nashville. Damon Regan with an ERA of 2.38 was a great back-up pitcher for Bob.

The team played in the Western Division's second round which meant they would participate in the NIL Championship playoffs.

This was Coach Tillman's first year as head coach for the Big Red baseball team. As a member of the team, I feel qualified to say that he was a "super" coach and man. He combined a great knowledge of baseball with a close relationship with the team members in order to accomplish his responsibility as head coach.

Any success the team had was due to Coach Tillman's desire to keep the team close together. Again as a member of the team, let me thank Coach Tillman and dedicate this season, hopefully pleasurable, to his memory.

By Bill Peerman

## Riflemen Hit Mark

The members of the rifle team represented MBA well in the tough Youth Incorporated Rifle League. Five matches were held this season, one in each position and the season-ending four position match.

In the prone position match, MBA established itself as a contender when the team of Ed Stevens, Tom Parrish, Dick Koonce, Bill Van Cleave, and Spence Sutton placed first, with Stevens winning a medal for the high individual score. The second match was shot in the sitting position, with the team of Stevens, Parrish, Koonce, Tom Cummings and Robert Thomson again placing first, paced by Stevens' high individual mark. The Overton team, thirsting for revenge after two stringing defeats, roared by the field in the kneeling match, and the Big Red had to settle for second, despite

Stevens' high individual score. Not even Captain Stevens could shoot well in the standing match, as Overton won the team and high individual score.

The season ended dramatically with the four-position match, a shoot out in which MBA and Overton were the co-controllers. The drama unfolded when an Overton student, supposedly shooting standing, was found to be sitting on a table while firing. After much consultation with the rule books, the referees allowed him to shoot a second time, and Overton walked away with the gold medals.

Prospects look good for next year, with Stevens, Koonce, Cummings, Van Cleave, Sutton, Frost, Turner, and Branstetter returning, although seniors Parrish, Thomson, Morrison, Sargent and Purdy will be missed.



## MICROBE REVIEW

The Microbes represented MBA well in the Harpeth Valley Athletic Conference this year.

The football team tied for first place in the conference. The Microbes had an offense which was able to roll up points and a defense which allowed only twenty points all season—and those in the first half of the first game. The defense was built around a front four that averaged 160 pounds.

For the first time, MBA had a Microbe wrestling team. Few people knew how to wrestle, and assembling a good team was quite difficult.

Dennis Spain and Bill Scanlan won their divisions in the HVAC tournament. Eighth grader DeWitt McLaurine wrestled on the freshman squad. The Microbe grapplers finished third in the conference.

The basketball team, despite the absence of several key players due to illness, played well in the HVAC tournament, and finished third overall in the conference.

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ference. Standouts on the basketball team were Bob Peerman, Johnny Parker, and Hugh Entwistle.

MBA also had a fine baseball season. The team finished with one loss, tying Franklin for second place.

In the playoff for second place, MBA defeated Franklin 19-2. An outstanding game was turned in by Brad Turney and Bob Peerman.

The pitching corps was built around hard throwing Robert Harris, with a record of 3-0.

Gil Templeton, Johnny Howell and Joe Davis played well for the varsity tennis team. They started at the bottom of the ladder, but with dedication and practice, they improved tremendously, and all three boys earned letters.

The track team finished second in its first meet, but rebounded to defeat Lipscomb in the second meet. Clay Whitson in the 440 and Brian Friedman in the mile ran well for MBA.

## GOLF NEWS

The team, composed of eight golfers, is led by Captain Mitch Garrett. In three early matches, Garrett posted two one under par 35's and a two under par 34.

Other members of the team are sophomores Webb Earthman, David Matthews, and juniors Tom Gildeistein, Whit Holcomb, Robert Miller, and Ed Stevens. Matthews, McAlister, Holcomb and Stevens are lettermen. The team is coached by Donald Fairbairn.

Junior Chuck Lawrence, one of the top players on last year's squad, has been ruled ineligible for one year by the TSSAA.

Lawrence played in a club championship during MBA's regular season.

On April 27, MBA bested Hillsboro in a crucial match 4-3. Garrett and Earthman recorded victories for MBA. A week later, the golfers swamped Overton 6½-½. David McAlister was medalist with a 39.

With the completion of regular season play, MBA will defend its regional championship at McCabe Field. The regional winner advances to the TSSAA High School Tournament at Harpeth Hills June 2-3.



**FOCUS ON SPORTS:**  
Panning from top, clockwise, the  
MBA athletes pictured above are  
Fred Fisher, football; Kyle  
Young, basketball; Bill Knox,  
wrestling; Tom Parrish, riflery;  
Jamie Stifler, track; Dan Buttrey,  
tennis; Mitch Garriott, golf;  
Brant Lipscomb, baseball.

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game. Ten of twelve lettermen, including starters Armistead, Fisher, Regan and Latimer, return to fill out next year's squad.

The MBA wrestling team, in Coach John Riggins' last year at the helm, contributed to the winter honors. The Big Red grapplers captured second in the NIL Western division and second in the district tournament. First place awards in the district tournament went to seniors Bill Anderson and Alan Wright and junior Bill Knox. Captain Knox was, in addition, first in the Ryan

Invitational and second in the region. He was named All-NIL and won MBA's Most Valuable Wrestler award.

And during the winter months, the MBA rifle team posted its finest season ever. A host of individual and team medals were won, with seniors Tom Parish and Robert Thomson and junior Ed Stevens leading the pack.

The Big Red rolled into spring, continuing its string of victories and records. The track squad was sparked by the magnificent solo performances of senior miler

Jamie Stifler, who had earlier in the year distinguished himself on the cross-country squad. Stifler, recipient of the Coach's Award as outstanding trackman, won the Green Hills Relays, finished second in the district tournament, and placed third in the Banner Relays. His efforts in the mile run set a new record for the Green Hills Relays and a new school record of 4:33.0.

The tennis squad, led by senior captain Dan Buttrey and junior Rip Trammell, bested all local competition to go undefeated in regular season NIL play. Trammell, who played in the number two position behind Buttrey, was undefeated against all area opponents.

The MBA golf team stood atop

the NIL heap throughout the season. With the exception of senior captain Mitch Garriott, the entire golf team returns next year, including number one player Whit Holcomb.

James Tillman took over the reigns of the Big Red baseball team as new head coach and led his boys to a 15-5 regular season slate, good enough for fourth in the NIL western division and a berth in the playoffs. As in the other two "major" sports, action was dominated by the juniors, with slugger Bill Peerman and scrappy defensive ace Brant Lipscomb the only graduating starters.

Ernie Leonard, back for his fourth season, won the MBA "triple crown," with three home

runs, 26 runs-batted-in, and a .445 batting average. Supporting him were Bob Latimer (19 RBI's; 397), Peerman (19 RBI's; 384), and Fred Fisher (15 RBI's; 373).

Tillman's mound staff will return intact next year. Turning in outstanding pitching performances for this year's effort were Latimer, who won seven against only one loss, Armistead (2-1) and rookie Robert Ramsey (2-0).

In the coming year, the Big Red will surely miss the likes of Peerman and Lipscomb. But there are many waiting in the wings to fill their roles—among them four three-sport lettermen: Fisher, Latimer, Leonard, and Tate Rich. 1970-71 will be a hard act to follow, but nobody's taking bets against next year's seniors.